

LAKE COUNTY'S TEN MOST WANTED GANG MEMBERS



Bess, Germaine D DOB: 04/22/1981

Last Known Address: 503 N Genesee St. Waukegan IL
Gang Affiliation: Vice Lords

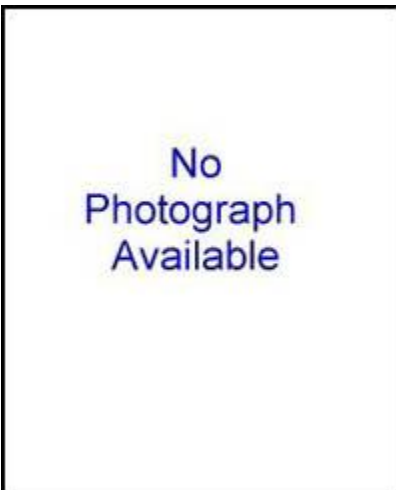
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender Bond: \$70,000.00



Delgado, Jose P DOB: 05/14/1978

Last known Address: 1505 Hickory, Waukegan IL
Gang Affiliation: Latin Lovers

1st Degree Murder Bond: \$5,000,000.00



Hernandez, Arturo DOB: 03/05/1984

Last Known Address: 1213 Wadsworth, North Chicago IL
Gang Affiliation: Latin Kings

Weapons Offense Bond: \$5,000,000.00



Maldonado, Javier DOB: 03/23/1980

Last Known Address: 720 Adams, Waukegan IL
Gang Affiliation: Latin Kings

Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm Bond: \$300,000.00



Coleman, Alex A DOB: 12/23/1971

Last Known Address: 3309 15th St. Kenosha WI

Gang Affiliation: Gangster Disciples

Violation of Sex Registration Act Bond: \$100,000.00

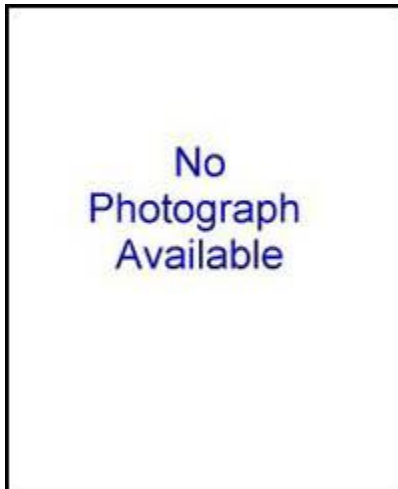


Parks, Keany K DOB: 12/29/1978

Last Known Address: 2837 Galilee Ave, Zion IL

Gang Affiliation: Gangster Disciples

Criminal Sexual Abuse Bond: \$250,000.00



Perez, Edward DOB: 11/30/1987

Last Known Address: 17865 Elsbury Ct. Gurnee IL

Gang Affiliation: Latin Kings

First Degree Murder Bond: \$5,000,000.00



Ramirez, Alejandro DOB: 03/10/1980

Last Known Address: 413 Bonniebrook, Mundelein IL

Gang Affiliation: Latin Kings

Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm Bond: \$500,000.00



Spivey, Jerald L DOB: 12/15/1981

Last Known Address: 816 14th North Chicago IL

Gang Affiliation: Black P Stone Nation

Possession of Narcotic Bond: \$500,000.00



Wence, Osvaldo DOB: 03/05/1981

Last Known Address: 1206 Tobin Ct. Waukegan IL

Gang Affiliation: Spanish Lords

Unlawful Use of Weapon Bond: \$100,000.00

**IF you know the location of any of these wanted Gang Members, Do not try to apprehend them yourself.
Contact your local Law Enforcement Authority.**

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Kirk, Curran and ATF Announce Lake County's "Top 10 Most Wanted Gang Members"

***Most wanted include leaders of: Vice Lords, Gangster Disciples, Latin Kings,
Latin Lovers, Black P Stone Nation and Spanish Lords***

CHICAGO – To raise awareness of the increasing threat drug gangs pose to Lake County, U.S. Rep. Mark Kirk, Lake County Sheriff Mark Curran and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Special Agent-in-Charge Andy Traver announced the second annual Top 10 Most Wanted Gang Members of Lake County today at the ATF's Chicago field office. The Top 10 list was created last March to enlist the help of the public to identify gang members with outstanding criminal warrants. After newspapers, radio and television publicized the wanted criminals, tips flooded in to law enforcement agencies, resulting in the arrest of three gang leaders within four days. A total of 17 gang members have been apprehended following their addition to the Top 10 list.

"Illinois leads the nation in per capita gang members, fueled in part by the growth of

suburban street gangs,” Congressman Kirk said. “As violent gangs are pushed out of Chicago, they are relocating to the northern suburbs. There are now more gang members in Lake County than law enforcement personnel – which means we need the help of the public. The Top 10 Most Wanted Gang Members List has a proven track record of identifying fugitive criminals and bringing them to justice. If you see one of these men – call the Sheriff’s office or your local police department immediately. Lake County is fortunate to have such dedicated law enforcement and leaders like Sheriff Mark Curran and Special Agent-in-Charge Andy Traver, and I am honored to partner with them to help keep our communities safe.”

“Nothing can combat gangs like the cooperation and sharing of information between law enforcement agencies at the local, county, state and federal levels,” said Sheriff Mark Curran.

“We will continue to coordinate and expand our focused efforts with our Lake County law enforcement partners in order to counter the growing surge of gang crime and concurrent firearms violence that is spilling across the border,” Special Agent-in-Charge Andy Traver said.

“We will bring to bear our full arsenal of sophisticated investigative techniques and gangfighting experience to effectively combat this burgeoning menace, meeting force on force.”

According to the 2009 National Gang Intelligence Center National Gang Threat Assessment, Lake County has the third-most gang members in Illinois, behind Cook and Will counties.

Estimates place the total number of gang members living north of Lake Cook Road as high as 3,500. **Nationwide, Illinois ranks number one in the nation for gang members per capita at 8 to 11 gang members per 1,000 residents.**

The most wanted gang member in Lake County is Mr. Jose Pedro Delgado. Delgado is a leader of the “Latin Lovers” gang in Waukegan and is wanted for the murder of Jesus Montes-DeOca, 18, of Waukegan. Montes-DeOca was gunned down on his way to the gym on Oct. 19, 2003. Police believe Delgado was aiming for an individual walking next to Montes-DeOca. Delgado is an original member of the first Top 10 list along with Edward Perez, Arturo Hernandez and Alejandro Ramirez – all of the Latin Kings street gang. All four remain at large.

The Top 10 List is just one example of the many partnerships created between Congressman Kirk and Sheriff Curran’s office with federal and local law enforcement agencies. Last year, Congressman Kirk announced an \$846,000 U.S. Department of Justice grant that he secured for a new Northern Illinois Gang Taskforce to coordinate federal and local law enforcement agencies to combat violent drug gangs operating out of Waukegan. The new taskforce allows local law enforcement to pursue federal prosecution and longer sentencing. Facing 20 years in federal prison (no parole) instead of less than five in state prison, low-level gang members are now more likely to turn against their gangs, helping the Taskforce.

Two years ago, ATF, the Lake County State’s Attorney Office and the Waukegan Police Department announced the conclusion of Operation “*Smack That*,” targeting the heroin drug ring of the Black P-Stones operating in Waukegan, North Chicago and Zion. The Black P-Stones operated a sophisticated drug operation, including selling drugs near Waukegan public schools and churches. The work of the ATF and Waukegan’s Neighborhood Enforcement Team (NET) Resulted in nine indictments and the seizure of \$19,000 worth of heroin, firearms and body armor.